

1-30. Freedom of Information (1200 TN 543 1-30)

1. **AUTHORITY.** The following determinations will be made in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 and 40 CFR Part 2.
 - a. To make initial positive determinations relative to the release of information;
 - b. To make initial negative determinations relative to the release of information;
 - c. To extend the date for transmitting an initial determination to the requestor.
2. **TO WHOM DELEGATED.**
 - a. The authority in 1.a. above shall be delegated to staff level personnel with concurrence from their first line supervisor, division director, and the Region III Freedom of Information Act Officer.
 - b. The authority in 1.b. above shall be delegated to division directors with concurrence from the Regional Counsel or his/her delegate.
 - c. The authority in 1.c. above shall be delegated to the Region III Freedom of Information Act Officer.
3. **LIMITATIONS.** Region III's Freedom of Information Act Procedures must be consulted to determine who will make the above determinations when a Freedom of Information Act request has been assigned to multiple Divisions/Offices for response.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
 - a. These authorities may not be redelegated further without formal amendment.
 - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
5. **SUPERSESSON.** Delegations Manual, Regional Delegation 1-30. Freedom of Information, 1200 TN RIII 202 (January 23, 2018).

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